

Health and Wellbeing Board Paper

1. Reference information

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Related papers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 1: HWBS Priorities Summary highlights (as at May 2021) • Appendix 2: Review and refresh of the HWB Strategy • Appendix 3: British Legion paper on Loneliness and Isolation

2. Executive summary

This paper provides an overview of the progress of local shared projects supporting delivery of the three Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities as of May 2021. This is via a new Highlight Report format that is intended for wider use with partners and the public, and to support a wider understanding of the priorities within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Highlight Report provides an overview of each Priority, describes what has been achieved in the previous period and how collaborative working has aided this progress. It also has a spotlight section on key programmes. Detailed implementation plans with risk ratings continue to sit behind the Highlights Report, with risks escalated to the Board as necessary.

Following discussion between priority sponsors, the paper also proposes a more explicit focus on health inequalities, alongside some reframing of the three priorities whilst being cognisant of their interdependencies. The outcome would be that Priority One has a greater focus on physical wellbeing, Priority Two continues to focus on mental health and emotional wellbeing and Priority Three more clearly focuses on the wider determinants of health.

3. Recommendations

That the relevant Proper Officer(s) in consultation with the Chairman:

1. Note progress reported against the three priorities.
2. Support wider use of the new format for the Highlight Report.
3. Agree the reframed Priorities, Outcomes, System Capabilities and Priority Populations (see appendix 2) to enable a refresh and alignment of the Strategy's design principles and programmes.
4. Agree to an informal Board meeting in July to discuss:
 - The Strategy's ongoing design principles
 - Criteria for the inclusion of programmes within the Strategy and on Board agendas
 - The Strategy's programmes
 - Links to the Empowering Communities roadmap
 - Alignment as part of the broader Health Inequalities programmes.
5. Acknowledge that any future changes to the roles, responsibilities and governance of the Board will be aligned to the requirements of the Health and Social Care white paper 2021 which are still to be confirmed by HM Government.

4. Reason for Recommendations

That the Board receives an overview of the progress of local shared projects supporting delivery of the three Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities as of May 2021.

5. Strategy Delivery and Implementation

See Appendix 1 for the Highlight Report for each priority, in a new format that can be more easily used for raising awareness of the collaboration and delivery that is happening and engaging stakeholders.

6. Proposed reframed priorities and outcomes

Following the publication of the Strategy in May 2019, there have been many significant developments which mean that a review and refresh of the ten-year Strategy is felt to be appropriate by the Board.

Existing inequalities have been exacerbated by the pandemic. In response to this, it is proposed that the current broad focus on tackling health inequalities, already evident through the ambition to ensure "no one is left behind", is further emphasized so as to become an action-focused, overarching aim of the Strategy.

Reducing health inequalities so no-one is left behind

This aim would be supported through evidence-based approaches and programmes that require strong collaborative working to enable progress.

Given the significant partnership engagement which took place during the development of the Strategy, we do not propose to significantly change the agreed priorities. Instead, the intention is to reframe the priorities for improved clarity and for better alignment with current agendas.

The proposed approach to refreshing Outcomes, Priority Populations and System Capabilities, along with further information on engagement on Principles for Design and Programmes with key dates can be found in more detail within Appendix 2.

7. Key risks, issues and opportunities

- All SRO posts for the Prevention and Wider Determinants of Health (Delivery) Board are now filled.
- Work is resuming on Healthy Behaviours, a programme within Priority 1;
- Work has also commenced on Fuel Poverty a programme currently within Priority 1, with an interim SRO.
- Public Health capacity to support Priority 1, Focus Area 6 (Improving environmental factors that impact people's health and wellbeing) remains limited due to staff resources continuing to be needed for pandemic related work. Whilst programmes continue in a number of areas, this is limiting oversight of this important work for the purposes of this report.
- There will be a significant opportunity to align Priority 2 of the Strategy with findings from the Mental Health Partnership Board review after these are discussed at the HWB Board.

8. Next steps

Subject to approval in June 2021, an informal meeting in July is being planned to discuss and agree Principles and Programmes that support delivery of the HWB Strategy. These Principles, Programmes and attendant implementation plans will be approved at the September Board meeting, with governance arrangements to be confirmed at the December Board meeting (see further details in Appendix 2).

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